

**SITUATION REPORT NO. 14**  
**INCIDENT NO. 2002-009**  
**DATE: August 20, 2002    TIME: 5:00 p.m.**

TO: Governor John Hoeven  
State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: Severe Summer Storms, Flooding - Severe thunderstorms have produced heavy rain, gusty winds, hail and flooding.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: In addition to the previous report, a second person was injured in the vehicle that slid into the ditch along U.S. Interstate 94 just east of Medina. This individual was also taken to the Jamestown Hospital. Thus far, a total of five injuries, due to summer storm activity, have been reported to the State Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
3. DAMAGES: According to the National Weather Service (NWS), the tornado that caused severe damage north and east of Medina on August 11, may have reached the F-4 category. F-4 tornadoes produce wind speeds from 207 to 260 miles per hour.

On August 8, Adams County officials reported high winds and heavy rain in the areas surrounding the cities of Hettinger and Haynes. In Hettinger, winds caused severe tree damage. In Haynes, one end of a metal quonset and the crow's nest at the rodeo grounds were blown down. At three farmsteads between those two communities, a barn was destroyed, a machine shop was torn apart, and one end of a new cattle shed was destroyed.

On August 20, the level of Devils Lake measured 1447.15 feet and at last report on August 15, Stump Lake measured 1413.32 feet.

4. RESOURCES:

LOCAL: No change from previous reports.

STATE: No change from previous reports.

FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.

5. VOLUNTEER ACTIONS: No change from previous reports.
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: On August 19, Governor Hoeven requested the President declare a disaster for the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and for the counties of Grand Forks, Pembina, Stutsman, Traill, and Walsh due to flooding and storm damages as a result of severe thunderstorms, high winds, excessive rainfall, hail, and tornadoes.

Small businesses in Cass, Grand Forks, Pembina, Richland, Traill, and Walsh Counties, that suffered substantial loss of income resulting from severe storms June 9 -28, may now apply through March 14 for Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. These loans will not be available to cover physical damage caused by storm activity.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: No change from previous reports.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: No change from previous reports.
9. OTHER: Appropriate state, local and private entity emergency operations plans and procedures have been implemented.

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